"A Royal Pass" at Harris'.

Mr. George C. Staley's comedy-drama 'A Royal Pass," drew a large house at

Harris' Bijou Theatre last night, and the

"City Club Burlesque Company" a

Kernan's. Although in several respects the City

Club Burlesque Company does not sur-

HIT OR MISS.

Is the native New York female innately vul-gar, after all, or is it only the environment? As you experience her at the Metropolitan opera it is mournful to observe that her good breeding is generally in inverse ratio to the brilliancy of her jewels.—Life.

Figures must get tired standing, as it is said that they won't lie.— Texas Siftings.

To faint dead away after a Russian bath is o be clean gone, at least, New Orleans Pica-

Water is the emblem of truth, but the soap men always use it in making a lye.—Bing-hampton Leader.

When a man dies it can very truthfully be Afchicen Globe.

A coming-out "party"—The politician who quits a fat office on the first of the new year.— Beston Gazette.

Two of the hardest things to keep in this life are a new diary and a sharp lead pencil.—Nor-ristona Herald.

"Co to the ant," said Solomon to the needy sluggard of old. But the needy sluggard now-adays generally goes to his uncle.

Bismarck says: "War is never caused by newspaper articles." Bismarck is evidently not familiar with Texas journalism. Norvis-tean Heroid.

If a woman ever wishes she was a man, it is when she has just brought the hammer down on her flager instead of the tack she meant to hit.—Schereille Journal.

Mr. Blagworth-Is this seat engaged, my

Mr. Bangwotte in definition of the state of the daughter Miss Perkis Deaves (of a traveling aggregation)—Look here, you hald headed old forgiver. I'm not your daughter, and I'm glad of its and if you don't gallop into the next ext. I'll ruin an umbrella on you! Seet—Judge.

The more the girls pine for some young me the more spruce they become.—Epoch.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., JANUARY 6, 1891. WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH GOR-

Our estremed contemporary, the Hor GEOVER CLEVELAND, must not make the mistake of supposing that the noisy but feeble boom of the Hon. D. B. Hua, is the only one which he must account for in the equation of 1892. Unless all the indi cations are deceptive, his claims are likely to be contested by a far more formidable aspirant-we allude to the Hon. Aurucu P. GORMAN of Maryland.

Mr. Gorman is not the sort of man who posts a notice of his plans and sends his boom around for public inspection with a brass band and a poet-laureate. The suggestion that he has his eyes fixed on the Democratic nomination of next year may, therefore, come to many in the nature of a surprise. But Mr. Gonnax is a par ticularly astate person who does not make a practice of taking the public into his confidence; so there is nothing in the fact that his boom has exhibited the bashfulness of the violet rather than the estentation of the suntlower.

A little reflection, however, will bring out many significant points. Consider for example, the extraordinary activity Senator GORMAN has developed within the past year. Consider, also, his sudden and unexpected preminence in the Senate The opportunity that came to him in the centest over the Elections bill has been improved with brilliant ability. He standto day the recognized leader of the Demo-cratic party in the Senate, if not in Congress as a whole. At one bound he has come to the front, taking precedence of the old and tried veterans, and there are none who deny his leadership. He has displayed qualities hitherto unsuspected. He has disclosed astonishing reserves of skill, of wisdom and of courage. He has even added to his display of adroitness and of tact the charm of oratory and the power of statesmanship. Unconsidered, two years ago, save as a

practical politician and an election hustler, Mr. Conwax is at this moment the no cepted chief of his party in all its national aspects, its pillar of strength in the hour of trial, its brains and its nerve. Further more, he is the idol of the workers. His sudden eminence in the higher realme of p latics is not understood to mean that he has abandoned any of the methods and convictions which endear the leader to his followers. He still believes in rewarding work, and holds that the offices should go to those who do the most effective voting. all practical respects he is the same GORMAN who organized the CLEVELANT crmpaign in 1884. As the party candidate next year he would bring out the wildest enthusiasm of every professional in every corner of the country. Tammany would "hump" itself for him as it has never humped before, and the workers to a man, from Castle Garden to San Francisco and from the Penobscot to the Ric Grande, would spit upon their hands, take hold and strain together.

Make no mistake, gentlemen; the Gor-man boom is on. It is to the Hill boom as a circus tent to a toadstool. And what's the matter with Goddan anyhow? Isn't

A MORNING PAPER thinks the British should be pleased with "the action of our Government in dropping the 'h' from Bering." But there is no h in Bering. "SPEECH ISSILVERY and silence golden,"

says the proverb. Speech will certainly be chiefly silvern for the next few days.

WE SHOULD LIKE Some of those gifted editors and Washington correspondents who have had so much to say about Mr BLAIRE's "bluffing" and "shiftiness, etc., etc., to explain to an anxious country the weak spots in his closing note on the Behring Sea controversy. As we read this and other papers in the case, the position assumed by Mr. BLAINE is absolutely impregnable. It is one of the ablest and luminous statements ever compressed into a public document, and it sets up a claim which every selfrespecting citizen of this country can ectsistently approve. As for the extended sea limit to which Lord Salismuny takes such vigorous exception, Mr BLAINE shows very clearly that England has on various occasions made and enforced similar pretensions without any greater, if as great, reason for doing so to be dissatisfied with Mr. BLAINE's con duct of the Behring Sea controversy, but on the contrary, every cause to appland and to sustain it. And it should speedily be made manifest that England can rely upon no party quarrels and jealousies here to strengthen her in the impudent and blustering attitude she has chosen to as

WHAT WITH THE Scribes and Pharises toth after them the Indians may well conclude that life is not worth living.

THE DEAR OLD Flor is at it again. It in cludes among the Republican Senators who yesterday voted to take up the Financial bill "Wasanxorox of Minne-sota."

IN ANOTHER COLUMN of this issue of Tire Carrie we reprint from the Army and New Genetic of London, England, an excellent and interesting elementalication about the subalterns in the British navy Whilst the particulars of complaint ar different in some respects, there is the same discontent in the British navy as b ours. There is the same awkward and demoralising fact that the personnel of the service is deteriorating in efficiency and marale. The hopelessness of promotion, the retention of men in subordinate posi-tions long after they have passed the age suited to such places and their duties, the consequent death of enthusiasm, and the gradual creation of a perfunctory service founded on despair-these are the elements combining to produce a ferment lo

England as well as here.
It appears that in both countries the same short-sighted policy prevails. Eng-land has the best navy in the world and we, following in her footsteps as regards material, promise curselves within a few to rank with England. But why should we also follow England in ne permitting the brain, the spirit, the vital principle of the service to fall into a paralysis? This is a question which out Congressmen should ask themselves

And they cannot ask it too soon, THE REFURIAGES Of the Pennsylvan House of Representatives have indersed the Elections bill. They have missed

connection with the train of events. THE ELECTIONS HILL Was struck with a HOAR frost yesterday.

PERSONAL.

Mary Anderson Navarre and husband are spending the winter at Boarnemouth. They expect to vielt America in the spring.

A maire on Ward McAllister and his aristecratic following was produced in New York this week. It is called "Relly and the 400, and contains a song which threatens to become as popular as "Annie Rechey."

Sara Bernhardt has been sliting to M. Charin for a medallion portrait, in which she wears the crown of Cleopatra. Miniatorists are copying the print, which appeared in a French journal, on ivory to fill orders from United States jewelers. Senator Farwell has succeingly referred to the President as "Little Bonnie." Which one of Farwell's friends has the President refused to appoint now"—Clee-

Mr. Charles T. Bonaparte of Maryland, in ardent civil service reformer, grandnephew of Napoleon the First.

Mrs. Cleveland will probably accompany her husband to Philadelphia on the cension of the 8th of January banquet. They will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. Clarke Davis. Sir John Millals' eyesight, which gave him a good deal of trouble and threatened to interfere with his painting has im-proved. He has given himself the ad-vantage of a very long rest and his general health is excellent.

health is excellent.

A new navel by Valdes, the Spanish novelist whom Mr. Howells has so deservedly praised, is to be published very shortly by the United States Book Company. The translation, which is by Clara Rell, is authorized by Valdes himself, and will appear in New York simultaneously with the publication of the original in Madrid. The story is called "Seum," and is a vivid picture of modern society life in the Spanish Capital.

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Mrs. Burton Harrison, author of "The Anglomaniaes," contributes to the New York Orlie of December 27 a study of an "amusing old volume describing the adventures of Cherubina de Willoughby, a heroine in vogue half a century ago." The book was written by an Englishman named Harret, who sought to laugh out of existence the Clarissas, Camillas and Evelinas of our grandfathers as Cervantes bed made ridiculous the fictional heroes of chivalry so popular in his day.

Valentine Mott devotes his spare time to collecting snuff-boxes and miniatures. Some of his snuff-boxes are worth \$1,000 apiece. He keeps his collection shut up, and very few people see it. Miss Lazarus is very fond of buying gold snuff-boxes, but she gives her boxes to the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Walter Hoe collects rare porcelains. His collection is one of the largest in the country, and a great many of the pieces are said to be almost priceless. Hayton Ives is another collector of brie-a-bras, with a fondness also for very time books. Dr. Walter Cooper of Bridgepart is a fiery and enthusiastic collector of pipes. A pipe was recently sold in Lendon for \$1,000. Mr. Cooper's collection is the only one that can possibly end in smoke without the collection being damaged.

The Mayouls of Breteaul, the French

damaged.

The Marquis of Bretenil, the French nobleman who is to marry the daughter of the late Commodore Garner of the New York Yacht Club, is now in his 431 year. He was educated at the Saint-Cyr military school, and after serving nine years as a cavalry officer resigned his commission to enter political life. Elected a member of the Chamber of Deputies from the Department of the Hautes-Pyrences in 1877, he was defeated in 1881, and again elected in 1885 and 1880. The Marquis, who is a small, slender man, because to the Terry ring of the Conservaives, and hobnobs with the Prince of Wales and other English swells.

The following is a list of the most prom-

Wales and other English swells.

The following is a list of the most prominent professional violinists now in this country: Franz Kneisel, the first violinist of the Beston Symphony Orchestra; Madame Camilla Urso, Miss Maud Powell, Leopold Lichtenberg, Ovide Musin, Max Bendix, Bernhard Listemann, Sam Franko, and Franz Willezek.

And the following is a list of the most prominent professional pianists now in this country: Rafael Joseffy, Fannie Bloomfield, Alexander Lambert, S. B. Mills, William Mason, Carl Baermann; Adele Aus der Ohe, B. J. Lang, H. G. Tucker, Adele Marguiles, Franz Rummel, Constantin Sternberg, Emil Liebling, August Hylested, Julia Rive-King, Conrad Ansorge, Carl Faelten, A. R. Parsons, F. Von Inten, F. Brandeis, A. M. Bagley, E. M. Bowman, John Bayer, Etelka Utasse and Max Vogrich.

Frederick Deitz of Colden, Eric County,

and Max Vogrich.

Frederick Deitz of Colden, Eric County, Pa., enjoys the distinction of having been one of the handful of Union soldiers who surrounded Garrett's barn, near Port Royal, Va., on the morning of April 25, 1885—that historic barn in which John Wilkes Booth, slayer of Lincoln, stoed at lay. Mr. Deitz will be 53 years old on the 23d of next April. He has been a farmer at Colden for nineteen years. He belonged to Company E of the Sixtieth New York Cavalry and was in Virginia when Lincoln was assessinated.

The director of the Observatory at

Lincoln was assessinated.

The director of the Observatory at Pulkova, in Russia, has sent a vase to Professor Simon Newcomb, the Superintendent of the Nautical Almanac Office in Washington, D. C., as an evidence of the value set by the Observatory staff on the services Professor Newcomb has rendered to science by his studies and writings. The vase has been sentthrough the State Department, and will be presented to Professor Newcomb by the Secretary of the Navy.

### HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Metropolitas—Thomas C. Lombard, New York; Dr. William Sheppard, Shespshead Bay, N. Y.; B. W. Wrenn, Ir. E. T. Y. & G. Rail-Rond; Joseph Dickson, St. Louis, Mo.; M. Stern, New York; Mrs. Horrath, New York; J. F. McLaughlin, Newark, N. J.; J. N. McMul-lan, Petersburg, W. Va. in, Petersburg, W. Va.

National—T. Henry Sweeting, Philadelphia,
L. B. Dellicker, Parkersburg, W. Va.; F. E.
astle, New York; W. T. Castle, New York;
tephen Collins, Pittsburg; W. J. Brenner,
titsburg; Charles M. Ness, Baltimore; F. L.

St. Jones-Frank E. Patterson, Winston, N.
2. V. Merrell, Philadelphiai A. H. Van Dyke,
drs. E. C. Van Dyke and Miss Katla Van Dyke,
of Atlanta, Ga.: H. H. Mullen, Cincinnati, Oslot,
W. Brickwood, Chicago; J. Stein, New
ork; O. R. Harlow and wife, Westminstyr,
S. Rolney, New York; Sig. Strauss, New
tork.

American-H. D. Dunbar, Philadelphia.

Williard's George W. Heidlich, Carlisle, Fa. T. C. McLamphlin, Philadelphia; A. M. Mewton, New York; E. H. Gaynor, Boston; W. F. Jobbins, New York; J. C. Short, New York.

Rigge-J. R. Beatty, Philadelphia; John C Webb, New York; W. Murray Crans, Dally; Mess. Ardington—W. J. Wolf and wife, New York; Von Landburg, Syracuse, N. Y.; T. J. Vyley, jr., Savannah, Gz.; A. Vanderbilt, New Ork.

C. A. Broadwater, Montant, William S. L. Jow, Cincinnatt, Ohlo. E26tt. William T. Ricks, Ohlor R. Robert M. Yardley, Doylestawn, Pa., J. Harry, U. S. N. New York; Warren C. H.-r. New York

BLONDE OR BRUNETTE.

I sit and muse.

For so I yearn for both, yet one alone
Can I ever hope to call my own!
Which shall I choose?

One dark, one fair. ich brown elive's bloom; the ripeact Each rate in loveliness; so modest each! Which shall I dare?

As sure as fato.

Know that either waits but my belies!
To be mine own, and its upon my bressit.

Why hestinte?

Ah! Why? Because for both! Each fills my heart's de Yet I to both possess would still aspire!
And thus I pause!

Which choice is mine.
Which choice is mine.
Whit beace were mine had we but nev-

Then which resigns Be-still, my heart!
I humfily answer to my fate's road book,
lark beauty, count Chap then my willing
face!
Bloods one, we part!

The maiden at the necktic counter ories.

"The maiden at the necktic counter ories.

"Them dark searts, eir, most everybody buys.

La, yes: "They'll wash!"

— Ciscinnati Gazette.

The marriage of Miss Mildred Fuller, laughter of the Chief Justice, to Mr. Hugh Campbell Wallace, last evening, in The marriage of Miss Mildred Fuller, daughter of the Chief Justlee, to Mr. Hugh Campbell Wallace, last evening, in St. John's Church, was the most notable event of the season in the fashionable and official world of Washington. The church was beautifully decorated with plants and flowers, the service most impressive, and the edifice crowded with the friends of the young counte. The unbers were Senator the edifice crowded with the friends of the young couple. The ushers were Senator Dubois of Idahe, Governor West of Utah, Mr. J. G. Zachary and John C. Lewis of New York, Mr. John H. Mitchell of Tacoma, and Mr. Archibald Brown of Chicago. The bridesmalds were Miss Flanagan of New York, Miss Woodruff of Auburn, N. Y.; Miss Swinton of Port Jervis, N. Y.; Miss Mooreof Orange, N. J., and Miss Fuller, a sister of the bride. The bride was on the arm of her father, and was dressed in exquisite taste. The bride was on the arm of her father, and was dressed in exquisite taste. There was a large reception after the wedding, which was attended by all of the bens mende and distinguished officials resident here and the foreign representatives of other povernments. There were nearly two hundred presents made to the bride, many of them very costly. Mr. nearly two hundred presents made to the bride, many of them very costly. Mr. and Mrs. Wallace left about 11 o'clock on a bridal tour to the North. The list of those present would fill columns, and in-cluded the Fresident, his Cabinet, and the ladies from the White House and the wives and daughters of the Cabinet, the Justices of the Supreme Cont, and a long list of Senators, Representatives, Army, Navy, Diplomatic and citizen elements.

IN THE SWIM.

Mrs. Brown, the wife of the newly-appointed Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, held her first reception at the Arlington yesterday. She was assisted by her sisters, Mrs. Duffield of Detreit and Mrs. Goodwin of Chicago, Mrs. Brown has already made a most flattering impression in society, and will be in every way a most welcome acquisition.

The reception of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wilson, given last night in their handsome residence on Connecticut avenue, was a brilliant affair. The members of the Cabinet, the General Commanding the Army, Senator and Mrs. Dolph, Senator and Mrs. Morrill, Senator and Mrs. Cultom, Senator and Mrs. Welcott, Mr. and Mrs. Pollock, and a number of Army officers and others were among the guests.

The charming ten given yesterday afternoon by Miss Breckinridge, the daughter of Hon. W. P. C. Breckinridge, M. C., of Kentucky, was the centre of social attraction on Capitol Hill, and was attended by many of the most agreeable and prominent people in society. Miss Wendling, Miss Kincaid, Miss Bell, Miss Bencroft, Miss McDonald, Miss Mildred Carlisle, Miss Merchandle, Miss Blourt, Miss Walthall, Miss Faulkner, Miss Gildersleeve, Miss Morgan, Mr. Henry S., Ceorge Tucker, M. C., and Mrs. Tucker (who is a daughter of Colonel William Preston Johnston of New Orleans), Miss Scott of Kentucky and Mrs. and Miss Blackburn, the wife and daughter of the Senator from Kentucky, were among those present. those present.

Some of the Washington correspondents are fond of trying to educate the public mind outside of Washington up to the impression that the political and transient ephemera here are setting the secral pace and can discipline society here upon occasion. This is giving great amusement to the quiet, conservative old regime of residents and the Army and Navy people. They have to smile at the idea of people doing so who are political accidents, temporarily pitch-forked into politice-social notoriety or are parties who have achieved fortune, and, having failed to get into society where they compared in entertaining themselves into a certain set of society here, whose Worth gowns, barbaric splendor of establishment and commercial manners tell. It should not escape the memory of the plutocratic press that these people instead of marching with the Drum-Major in the "Passing Regiment," are carrying a keg of water in the rear thereof.

Miss Scott, Miss Morgan and Miss Kin-caid are the fair trio from Kentucky who are much admired in society and are be-ing entertained by Miss Breckinridge and the other ladies of the families of Senators and Representatives from that State here.

### AMUSEMENTS.

"The Maister of Woodbarrow" at the National.

The extraordinary popularity of young Mr. Sothern, if there were any doubt of it before, was most undeniably demonstrated at the National last evening. Every seat was filled before the curtain went up, and a "standing army," almost as large as that of the United States, formed a close cordon around the circles. Aside from the interest in the bright young actor, on whom has fallen (with some few folds and creases as yet) the mantle of the talent and popularity of his distinguished father, there was doubtless a general desire to see the play itself, the work of Mr. Jerome K. Jerome, the clever Englishman, whose double-barreled name, which somehow always suggests a pair of opera-glasses, has become so prime and sudden a favorite with modern readers. "The Maister of Woodbarrow" is hardly so funny as "Three Men in a Boat," but, for all reasonable dramatic domands, it will serve. It is a thoroughly clean, wholesome and sanitary drama; brings the sweet, fresh breath of the moors to purify the sickly and superheated air of the salon, and returning, none too soon for his moral well-being, the honest, manly, sound-hearted young countryman from the corruptions of the town to the pure jeys of his rustic home. The story and characters are well worked out, though with perhaps a noticeable lack of movement and incident until the last act. The dialogue is closely and cleverly written and would possibly read even better than it talks. But the success of a play of this particular sort is peculiarly dependent upon the ability of the actors, and Mr. Sothern and his always excellent company, be it said, are fully equal to the emergency. In the title role the capable young comedian displays the same tendency to over-elaboration of the humorous scenes, and an excess of facial business which has characterized his work in other parts. The emotional passages were, indeed, perhaps the best. But it was on the whole a very distinct the ment of the content of the humorous scenes, and an excess of facial business which has characterized his work in other parts. The emotional passages were, indeed, perhaps the best. But it was on strated at the National last evening. Every seat was filled before the curtain ous scenes, and an excess of facial business which has characterized his work in other parts. The emotional passages were, indeed, perhaps the best. But it was on the whole a very distinct, consistent and interesting impersonation, which engaged the sympathy of the audience from entrance to exit. The work of the support was exceptionally good. The most emphatic appliance of the evening, indeed, was given to the sensational fluids of the drunken old reproduct. Colonel Jack Dester, a characteristic study of realistic alcoholism by Mr. Roland Buckstone. Miss Virginia Harmed as the beautiful adventuress, his daughter, was a delight to the eye, and a most alminable expancial of a role which might easily have been vulgarired by less competent treatment. The Mrs. Rolli of Kate Patison Selten, who will be remembered as one of the pretty Englishwomen who came over with Mrs. Langiry, and the Jobourch of Miss Jenny Dunbar, were refreshingly natural and attractive types of rural truth and goodness. Mr. Cook as the overpowering Fifths, Mr. Selten as the scundred of the play, Owen Fawcet as the old attorner, and in fact the whole cast in general were excellent in their rafes, and the entire production had the smoothness and fluish which only such a combination can secure. The Maister' will be seen every evening and matinee through the week.

combination can secure. "The Maister will be seen every evening and mattue through the week. "Cinudius Nero" at Albaugh's. A good house and an admirable spe-acular drams, for which no house coul be too good, were the features last night at the Grand Opera House. \*\*\*Claudius Nero." indeed, wears its speciacular garb with a difference, in that, unlike the majority of its kind, it possessor draumatic and even iterary merits of no mean order, yet not sufficiently emphasized to distract attention from its allurements as a spotacle. The story turns upon a romantle passion of the very well-shoped imperial incendiary for a lovely Christian maiden, and the inarches, the hassacres, the femous "tornless of Nero." the areas, the femous "tornless of Nero." the areas to the tyranf's character is given somewhat turnsual prominence, and the antifered gets a sort of a vague, albaround impression that he wasn't a half-bad kind of fellow after all. Mr. Wilton at the Grand Opera House, "Claudle

TEN TERSE LESSONS IN SHORTHAND

P in pet B in bet T in teach D in dead Ch in cheat J in jet K in keep ---

B M L

Harris' Bijou Theatre last night, and the performance gave universal satisfaction, showing that the flattering press notices given the play were entirely deserving. It is beyond question one of the very best produced before the footlights of this popular theatre this season, and will have a good run. The play itself is an excellent comedy-drama, interspersed with new and catchy songs, which are rendered most acceptable in every instance.

Last night Mr. Staley received a genuine ovation and will remain a favorite with Washington theatre-goers. The entire cast is well made up and there is not a psor actor or actress among them: Bed spelled Bd not a poor actor or actress among them; all are good. The plot is simple. The play is elegantly staged and is costumed with a strict fidelity to historical correctness. Mr. Staley's songs equal those of Scanlon, while little Louise won the hearts of the entire audience. Bread spelled Brd Blood spelled Bld

Derived spelled Drvd Hooks must be read immediately after the consonant to which they are joined and of course before T or D which are understood by reason of the character being half length. pass the numerous organizations of its kind that have visited this city during the season, the audience that filled Kernan's last night seemed pleased. The tableaux, representing celebrated pletures, were the hit of the evening. The tableau of Millet's celebrated plainting, "The Angelus," was very well received,

The performance opened with a bursletta called "Studies in Black," introducing all the female members of the company in sombre costume and bright faces. Pearl Bradburn sang some character sengs, Lowry and Evans sang and danced in black-face, and Jennie Mialo did a song and dance called "Nuptial Bells," The Everetts, in Yankes and German comedy, were funny, and Wilson and Davenport danced in Fauntleroy costumes. Sefton, the dancing spider, made the hit of the evening, in his grotesque walk and dance. Bryant and Saville, musical comedians, were also entertaining. The performance ended with a burlesque called "O-Rome-in-Stead."

Sobbed spelled SBD Spotting spelled SP ting Spending spelled 8P nding The Circles.

The Circles.

A small circle will read "S" and a large one "SS," as will be seen in the diagram below. Circles differ from hooks in the fact that they are read wherever written; that is, a circle written at the top or in the first place of a consonant will be read before the consonant, and when written in the last place will be read after the consonant to which it is joined. Sup spelled Sp Sob spelled Sb

Such spelled Sch By simply doubling the size of the cir-le "SS" will be represented; as,

The circle will be read before or after, as attached to the consonant. When 88 occur without the interposition of a vowel they must be represented by the small circle. The following will show more clearly the manner of representing "S" and "SS;"

Pass spelled P s Bossing spelled B s ing Brass spelled Br s Dressing spelled Drs ing

Dresses spelled Drss Presses spelled Prss It is a good plan to practice on suc rapid combinations as the following: Drive spelled Dr v Brave spelled Br v

"They say Chollie's injuries were the result of a practical joke."
"Yes. The boys told him that a big burly fellow in the barroom was deaf and dumb, and Chollie walked over to him, and, with a sweet smile, told him he was a blank fool."
"Well!"
"The man wasn't deaf and dumb."—The Plan spelled Pln

Sun.
"Darling," said he, as soon as he recovered from the exquisite eestasy of that concentrated essence of bliss, the kins of betrothal, "Garling, times have been pretty rocky for me lately, and I am afraid I emit get you an engagement ring right away. Or would you be willing to accept an order on Laura Potts for the ring I gave her last summer. I'd ask het myself, but we don't speak now."—Indianapolis Journal.

"Doctor," said the lady, anxiously, "I have sent for you to see if you can't tell me what to do for my poor little canary. It mopes and..." "I am not a bird doctor, madame," the physi-

"I am not a bird doctor, madame," the physician interposed lotting.

"Don't you know anything about the diseases of constries".

"Most emphatically I do not,"

"You will excuse me then, doctor," she said,
"if I call a more experienced physician. I should be afraid to let you prescribe for the poor little dear. — Checapo Tribans.

The reason why the girls enjoy sleighing so much is because it requires some effort to keep them cosy and warm.— Dullos News.

They say the hardest thing to raise on a Vestern farm is the mortgage, Boston But-"Your new waitrens is a very attractive oking person."
"Very and it has added largely to our safety
ere. "here is always a policinian on duty in
he kitchen."—New York Herald.

The Debutante. You seem to forget 'tis my first sesson out -To-night is my formal debut; Now don't be too tender-mind what your

My chaperone is looking at you! Fra promised to you. Jack to you I belong... I rather would have you this not: But then I'm a bud from tids year's garden And not a soul presses our plot.

Let us walted we can talk them; not so tight please: Announce our engagement you ray? You've brought the ring with you? Respond True love always frets at delay.

The ring! Will I wear hy Yes! Resy to grant A request se congenially planned; Piletill be the blacking and cay dobutante By wearing it on my eight hand.

For truly I cannot—) on dance well-forego. The reason's gay round of affairs, Recause. Cupid's errow-stop plaching, go slow. Has taken me quite unawares. Though pledged to you truly, and fond of you Gear,
Why should I "come out" at all, peay,
I'm be a sweet resolved one day in the year,
And the rest of the time flanceer

"THE CRITIC'S" COURSE.

BY A. S WHITE, F. S. S. A.

The Sixth Lesson, in Which Circles, Loops and the Half-Length Consonant are Discussed-Several Interesting

All the young people in the city have taken an interest in THE CRITIC's shorthand course, and that they are becoming suc cessful stenographers is attested by the fact that more than two-thirds of the letters received with reference to the prize offered in our last issue were correct The first eight straight consonants are escribed as follows:

G in get -In this diagram all the regular books are shown as attached to a straight line. Probably this is the most convenient form in which to represent the books R, L, N and F or V:

To any straight consonant these hooks may be attached, but they must always be read immediately after the consonant to which they are joined. By simply shortening any consonant to me-half its regular length T or D will be idded, as-

Bend spelled Bnd

Side spelled 8d

Sustain spelled SS t n

The large circle or "SS" will be de-Bosses spelled Bss

Provoking spelled Pr v king The Loop.
A small toop will read "St," and a large

Boast spelled Bst Boaster spelled Bstr Bust spelled Dat

Dressed spelled Drst Breast spelled Br-t

Duster spelled Dstr

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PUBLIC OPINION. Negro Suffrage.

From the Richmond Time While there is a large, and, maybe, pre-vailing belief among Southern whites that to take from the negro the franchise which was given them by the North contrary to Southern protest, and only in hope of humiliating and degrading the South—would solve the negro problem, and would, in consequence, be desirable, that disfranchisement is not practicable. It could only be accomplished by an amendment to the Constitution, and it is scarcely within the bounds of possibility that such an amendment can be passed by two-thirds majority in both Houses of Congress, and ratified by three-fourths of the States.

From the New York World.

So far as the Democrats of the country which was given them by the North con-

From the New York World.

So far as the Democrats of the country are concerned the war is ancient history. The party concerns itself with matters of the present and future, and it holds every part of our common country in equal regard. It is a national party, and leaves sectional distrust and vindictiveness to its components. It wants no man elected sectional district and vindictiveness to its opponents. It wants no man elected Speaker because he comes from a Southern State or a Northern State. Equally it wants no man excluded from that place because he belongs to the one region or the other. It wants the best man, let him come from whence he may. The Vice-President's Backbone.

Since the beginning of the present see ion of Congress Vice-President Morton has rather surprised some of the reac tionary members of the Senate by his de tionary members of the Senate by his determination to maintain the dignity and
weight of his office. These ancient Senatorial bosses have discovered that he could
not be made the pliant and unreasoning
tool of their desperate policy. They therefore undertook to persuade him that he is
in declining health; that the duties of
presiding over the Senate are too exacting,
and that a sojourn of a month or two in a
halmier atmosphere would be quite beneficial to him. A trip to the Mediterranean
might have better suited their purpose,
but under the unwritten law the successor
to the Presidency cannot leave the country. Vice-President Morton, however, is
in excellent health, thank you, and has
no notion of abandoning his post of duty
in this crisis of affairs.

The Servant Girl Problem in the South

The Servant Girl Problem in the South From the New York Post,
The "servant-girl problem" is had
enough at the North, but Southerners complain that it is worse in their part of the plain that it is worse in their part of the country. The Augusta Chronicle draws a really pathetic picture of the situation in Georgia. The old-time family servant of the South is disappearing with the dying out of the older generation of negroes, and there is no one to take her place. Cooks are getting very scarce, and the Chronicle tells of the casual meeting in a street car of a Goorgia city of seven ladies who found upon comparing notes that only street car of a Goorgia city of seven lailies who found upon comparing notes that only one of the number had a cook. In another place, when it was announced that a certain family was about to leave, the lady of the house was besieged with applications from her neighbors for her cook. The chief difficulty is the growing prejudice against domestic service among the young negro women, who want to be school teachers, as the men want to be come preachers or politicians, while there is the same drift to the cities and large towns as in the North. Thus, with millions of negroes in the South "the cook and nurse and bired girl are getting more scarce every year. Money cannot buy them, good will and long association do not hold them. Colored families prefer to huddle together and keep their women at home."

The Free Bill Triumvirate. From the St. Louis Republic Mr. Edmunds of Vermont is the gentle man who so recently showed his sincere regard for the welfare of the country by securing 2 cents a pound on maple sugar from the Treasury for the sap bollers of that State. Mr. Hoar of Massachusetts is a Senator who, during a long legislative experience, has never failed to use all the power of his intellect to serve the ends of the Northeastern "Commune of Capital." Mr. Chandler of New Hampshire is as subservient a tool of Plutocracy as is Mr. Hoar, and he has, moreover, a record in connection with the worst period of jobbery in the Navy which has fixed his moral status so that no one is at all in doubt concerning it.

These three men constitute the triumvirate which is attempting to coerce the Senate into passing the Davenport Force bill, under which elections are to be controlled by District of Columbia Returning Boards, backed by bayonets. Behind this bill is "the American Protective Tariff Leagse," the association of monopolists organized to furnish the Fat fund of 1883 and to control money and supply through Federal legislation.

The North Wants the South to Prosper. regard for the welfare of the country by

The North Wants the South to Prosper

From the Chicago Inter-Ocean.

To a Northern eye the Southern industrial condition is one of slow improvement. Improvement that seems wonder

ment. Improvement that seems wonderful to Southerners, but which is not so to Northerners. Not only is there no Southern Cleveland or Toledo.

Things being thus it is little better than idicey to write about a Northern purpose of "crippling or destroying the prosperity of the South and retarding its industrial development." The North wants the South to prosper. It is necessary to the North that it should prosper. For many years to come every steel rail laid on a new or old Southern track will be of Northern make, every furrow turned will be by a Northern-made plow, every grain of wheat marketed will be cut by a Northern-made cradle or reaper, and thrashed by a Northern-made machine. Every advance from home-spun jeans and linseys made by a Southern farmer or laborer brings new custom to a Northern mill. Talk about a Northern desire to "cripple the prosperity of the South with to "cripple the prosperity of the South," indeed! It is as if a banker should wish to cripple the deposit-making power of his best client.

In South Dakota. From Puck.
(It was Sunday Morning.) "What are all these people standing here for?" asked the stranger.

"They are waiting for church to come to them. The cathedral is delayed by a washout or the track two miles back."

"SE UN CASTO AMOR." If one pure love, one common joy, one pain One featenly pity, and one destiny Shared by two lovers in equality. One spirit for two hearts sale soccretion:

One soul immortal made in bodies twain, In equal dight, each winging to the sky; And if one fire, one shoft that steakphi will if Home to two locates, and there will quick re If so it love's death casch loving other solely.

Love being the one desired wage of Love,

And each forestalling the least wish so

By each in mutual sway enthrulled wholly)—
If there of quenchless faith the tokens prove.
Bay, when shall Scora so fast a knot dissever?
Other Ellon in the Academy. 100 Doses One Dollar. - Oliver Ellon in the Academy.

All this has been rapidly changing, and to-day the journals of Washington are a credit to the Capital, and are continually improving in every element that commands respect. The Post is the only morning paper. Two years ago it passed into the hands of Hon. Frank Hatton. President Arthur's young Postmaster-General, as editor, and Hon. Beriah Wilkins of Ohio as the business manager. Mr. Hatton is one of the brighest and readiest writers in the land and a radieal Republican. Within a year the Post presented Washington with the first permanent eight-page sheet. Its editorial page, which is in the best sense independent, while undeniably Republican, commands both the attention and the respect of public men. It is always forcible and deals vigorously with all the questions of the day. As a newapaper it is up to the hour of going to press and by holding that hour back till the last moment, it often presents its readers here with important matters which the New York papers do not bring. And with all these good things it has become a great financial success.

The Evening Star has had high place for many years as a moneyed success. Of late years it has reached the first rank as an afternoon newspaper. It is unquestionably true that no journal in the counimproving in every element that com The complete original cast, scenery and stage equipments from the Lyceum Theatre, New York,

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inte years it has reached the first rank as an afternoon newspaper. It is unquestionably true that no journal in the country has an equal proportionate circulation, estimated by the population of the territory within which it circulates. It is daily full of news, and its double sheets are always crowded with excellent and wholesome matter. It is one of the handsomest newspapers in the country, and financially a marvelous success. Its editorial column is one that everybody handsomest newspapers in the country, and financially a marvelous success. Its editorial column is one that everybody reads, and it treats local and national questions in a way to exert much influence in the Capital. Mr. Crosby S. Noyes has been its editor for many years, and he brings to his work a personal knowledge of Washington from a period long before the war, and an active interest in Republican politics from the birth of the party. His partner, Mr. Kauffmann, is an able and active man, with long newspaper experience and a business ability which shows clearly in the daily result.

The Carrie is taking on fresh life. Under its new editor, Mr. Richard Weightman, is a versatile and forcible writer, it is fast coming out of the shadows which have rested upon it, and filling an afternoon field in which there is ample room for a rival to the Star. Everybody wishes it success, and there is every reason now to hope for it.

The Gazette, under General Duncan Walker, formerly of the Herald, Both are now excellent.

The Gazette, under General Duncan Walker, formerly of the Herald, has become a lively collector of fresh news and an able and effective party sheet. It ought to exert much influence in Democratic circles, to which it ministers politically; while in local affairs it has the real

crafic circles, to which it ministers politi-cally; while in local affairs it has the real interests of Washington at heart, and con-tinually presents them in a manner to at-tract attention, and prove helpful in all directions. The Herald is more strictly speaking a

society paper. Its eight pages are crowde, with personal matters which cover the whole field of Washington society, but whole field of Washington society, both official and private. It also presents the leading matters of news and the full telegrams of the day. Like the Gazette it is handsomely printed and well made up, and in every way attractive for its class. It can be truthfully said of all these journals, both daily and weekly, that they are clear wheels to a decreast that yet

It can be truthfully said of all these journals, both daily and weekly, that they are clean sheets, to a degree that is not excelled by the journals of any city in the land, and not reached by those of many. There is another thing which it is but just to say. Long personal acquaintance with most of those who compose the staff of editors, contributors and reporters of these journals affords the knowledge upon which to base the statement that for high personal character of both young and old they will take a rank with the most reputable in their varied lines of work.

There are two weekly party newspapers which should not pass without mention. They are both red-hot in their way, and they each have a way of their own.

The National Democrat is a venture of a new variety in journalism at Washington. It seeks a circulation in every section of the country, based upon the idea that a weekly Washington discussion of national politics from a strictly party point of view will find ready readers in every section. Mr. Fred Perry Powers and Mr. Elmund Hudson are the editors. Both are vigorous writers. Both as Washington correspondents of long experience have had the real inside of things spread before them. Both write the King's English. Mr. Powers sifts his college polish over all his work, and what may be lost on this account to some of the sheep in the particular and peculiar fold, Mr. Hudson regains by his somewhat more direct slashing with language, which, when applied to persons, often has the bark on it. Between them they keep their Democratic readers happy, of which their growing subscription list gives ample proof. The other Democratic firebrand is the Washington Sealinel. It is simon pure in its Democracy, but, being always bold and trenchant in its criticisms, it does to some extent make up for its political perversions by the occasional damage which it properly influcts upon its own party.

All in all, the journalism of the National Capital merits only high prase, and its progress is steady and rapid in the righ

Worth Gown Vulgarity.

From Harper's Weekly.

There are apparently those who suppose that it is impossible to be vulgar in a pose that it is impossible to be vulgar in a Worth gown or that an opera-box is evidence of good breefing. Mr. Thomas was the true arbite elegantarum when he stopped his orchestra in the midst of a symphony of Beethoven, and, looking at a party whose noisy tattle disturbed the audience, remarked quietly that he feared the music interfered with conversation. He was said by some inconsiderate critics to have insulted the tattling group. But the insult did not come from the stage, and Mr. Thomas merely protected his audience. If some other conductor world show the same quiet courage, giggling and dience. If some other conductor would show the same quiet courage, giggling and chattering in the boxes would soon cease. But if good manners were required as the condition of occupying an opera-box, said recently an indignant censor in the par-quette, would all the boxes be taken?

Face Values. "Young Scadds has married a poor

girl whose face was her only dowry."
"It runs in the family. His sister is
the wife of a foreign count, who brought
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